



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Masaomi IIZUMI et al.

Serial No.: New Application

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Filed: January 31, 2001

Examiner: Unassigned

For: FOCUS ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM FOR A VIDEO OR IMAGE PICKUP
APPARATUS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

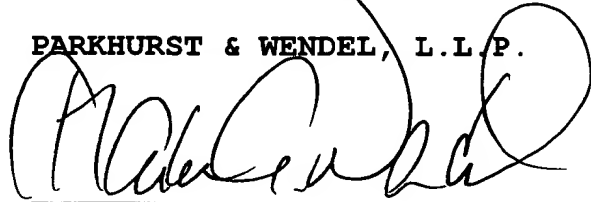
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the reference listed on Form PTO-1449 is attached.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office may, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 C.F.R. 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the

information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

PARKHURST & WENDEL, L.L.P.



January 31, 2001

Date

Charles A. Wendel

Registration No. 24,453

CAW/mhs

Attorney Docket No. PADE:059

PARKHURST & WENDEL, L.L.P.
1421 Prince Street, Suite 210
Alexandria, Virginia 22314-2805
Telephone: (703) 739-0220